

National further states that it is serving copies of this filing upon its firm customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. CP97-97-000]**

**Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Application**

November 21, 1996.

Take notice that on November 13, 1996, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 701 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois, 60148, filed an abbreviated application pursuant to Sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act requesting authority to: (1) abandon 900 feet of pipeline lateral in two segments, (2) construct and operate 3,000 feet of pipeline lateral in three segments, and (3) operate approximately 3,200 feet of pipeline lateral in four segments, all as more fully described in the application that is on file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and open to public inspection.

Natural proposes to abandon certain pipeline laterals and to construct and operate other pipeline laterals in Natural's Loudon Storage Field (Loudon) located in Fayette county, Illinois. Natural says it has experienced a number of corrosion leaks at Loudon. Natural further states that without replacement, the existing laterals that have experienced corrosion leaks could continue to deteriorate to a point where the reliability of Loudon would be compromised. Natural states that the proposed construction will not affect the current design day and peak day capacities for Loudon. The cost of the project is estimated at approximately \$396,000.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said

application should on or before December 12, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Natural to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. CP97-100-000]**

**Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

November 20, 1996.

Take notice that on November 15, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP97-100-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) for authorization to install and operate the Menlo #2 TBS, a new delivery point to be located in Guthrie County, Iowa, to

accommodate incremental, interruptible natural gas deliveries to IES Utilities (IES) under Northern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern states that it requests authority to install and operate the proposed delivery point to accommodate incremental, interruptible natural gas deliveries to IES under Northern's currently effective throughput service agreements with IES. Northern asserts that IES has requested the proposed delivery point to accommodate service to their customers who have not previously been served by natural gas. The estimated interruptible volumes proposed to be delivered to IES at the Menlo #2 TBS are 680 MMBtu on a peak day and 94,000 MMBtu on an annual basis.

Northern states that the estimated cost to install the new delivery point is \$87,156, and that IES will reimburse Northern for the total cost of constructing the proposed delivery point.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. RP97-84-000]**

**Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

November 21, 1996.

Take notice that on November 18, 1996, Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company (Northwest Alaskan), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2,